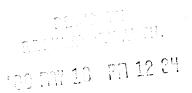


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Re: Petition of MCI WorldCom to Enforce Interconnection Agreement with BellSouth

Docket No. 99-00662

Dear Judge Collier:

I have received BellSouth's "Motion to Compel" answers to discovery in the above-captioned proceeding.

The *Hyperion* case, which raises identical issues, is scheduled to be decided on May 23, 2000.

Since the Authority's decision in *Hyperion* will likely narrow the scope of the dispute in the MCI WorldCom proceeding, I propose to file a response to the Motion to Compel by Thursday, May 25.¹

Sincerely,

BOULT, CUMMINGS, CONNERS & BERRY, PLC

Bv:

Henry Walker
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c: Guy Hicks, counsel for BellSouth

¹ The procedural schedule developed by the parties and submitted to you did not include dates for the filing of objections to discovery or for the filing of responses to objections. Therefore, the schedule may need to be amended accordingly.